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TEXT OF CHANCELLOR BRANDT'S REPLY TO AMBASSADOR
HILLENBRAND'S DECEMBER 4 LETTER FOLLOWS: BEGIN TEXT:
14 JANUARY, 1974

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DEAR MR. AMBASSADOR:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF 4 DECEMBER, 1973 IN WHICH YOU INFORMED ME OF THE SUCCESS OF GERMAN-AMERICAN COOPERATION IN THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUG AND NARCOTICS ABUSE

YOUR DESCRIPTION OF THE ARREST OF THE NARCOTICS SMUGGLERS SHOWS THAT OUR JOINT EFFORTS IN THIS FIELD, WHICH WE INTENSIFIED DURING THE PAST YEAR, HAVE PROVED EFFECTIVE. THIS SHOULD SERVE AS A STIMULUS TO IMPROVE EVEN FURTHER THE WORKING CONTACTS OF THE POLICE, CUSTOMS, BORDER POLICE AND ARMED FORCES, AND ALSO TO STRENGTHEN COOPERATION IN RESEARCH AND MEDICINE IN THIS FIELD.

MY GOVERNMENT'S EFFORTS CONTINUE TO BE BASED ON THE PRINCIPLES WHICH I SET FORTH IN MY LETTER OF 21 OCTOBER, 1972. PREPARATORY WORK APPEARS TO HAVE PROCEEDED TO THE POINT THAT ONE COULD ESTABLISH COMMON GUIDELINES FOR SUCH COOPERATION. TOWARDS THIS END, THE FEDERAL MINISTRY FOR YOUTH, FAMILY AND HEALTH HAS FORWARDED TO YOUR COORDINATOR FOR NARCOTIC AFFAIRS AT THE EMBASSY A WORKING PAPER WHICH TAKES INTO ACCOUNT THE AMERICAN PROPOSALS. AMONG THE POINTS TO WHICH I ATTACH PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE IN THIS PAPER ARE THE PLANS TO COORDINATE MUTUAL WORK IN THIS FIELD THROUGH A CENTRAL WORKING GROUP AND TO DETERMINE PRIORITIES.

I ASSUME THAT THE GUIDELINES CAN BE AGREED UPON SHORTLY AND HOPE THAT IN THIS WAY IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO SOLVE EXISTING PROBLEMS THROUGH EVEN MORE INTENSIVE CONTACTS. THE EFFORTS OF YOUR PRESIDENT TO IMPROVE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUG AND NARCOTICS ABUSE ARE FULLY SUPPORTED BY ME. WITH FRIENDLY REGARDS. W. BRANDT. END TEXT:

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1. WE ARE PLEASED BY POSITIVE NOTE RE US-FRG DRUG CONTROL COOPERATION STRUCK BY CHANCELLOR BRANDT. EMBASSY WILL PRESS FORWARD WITH NEGOTIATIONS FOR "COMMON GUIDELINES." LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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UTILIZING BRANDT'S CALL "TO DETERMINE PRIORITIES," WE WILL URGE FRG TO CONSIDER ESTABLISHMENT OF OPERATIONAL FEDERAL NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT ORGANIZATION. HILLENBRAND

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